

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP 3753**

PATENT

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APPLICANT:

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TITLE (AS AMENDED): BUTTERFLY VALVE HAVING FLANGES FORMING A

POSITIVE LOCK

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 21, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.